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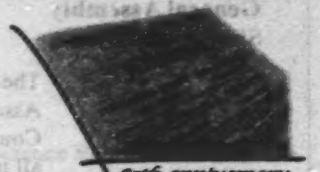

Programme of meetings and agenda

Thursday, 10 March 2011

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 6494th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Somalia[1]

   Comprehensive strategy for the realization of peace and security in Somalia

   Letter dated 3 March 2011 from the Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2011/114)

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

An informal thematic debate on "Investment in and financing of productive capacities in least developed countries" will be held on Friday, 11 March 2011, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 March 2011, containing the latest programme for the thematic debate (also available at <www.un.org/en/ga/president/65/initiatives/ldcs.shtml>), was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

The 1st meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 14 March 2011, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). A letter from the Co-Chairs, dated 4 March 2011, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

Informal consultations on the review of the implementation of resolution 61/16 of the General Assembly, on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, will take place on Tuesday, 15 March 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:
Agenda item 129 (Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011: Capital master plan (A/65/511, A/65/511/Add.1, A/65/5 (Vol. V), A/65/296 (Chap. III), A/65/725, A/65/271 (Part I) (Sect. IV A) and A/65/271 (Part I)/Add.1 (Sect. V B)))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:
Agenda item 129 (Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011):

Revised estimates resulting from the entry into force of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (A/65/628 and A/65/739); and

Standards of accommodation for air travel (A/65/348, A/65/386, A/65/632, A/65/338 and A/65/338/Add.1)

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
2011 substantive session

Working Group of the Whole

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Rooms 2 and C (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Rooms 2 and C (NLB)

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/65/510-S/2010/514, A/65/624, A/65/643, A/65/669, A/65/680, A/65/680/Add.1, A/65/698 and A/65/700) . . . . . [6]

[Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at <www.c34.unlb.org/>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org). Any Member State or observer wishing to be included in the Committee mailing list is kindly requested to send an e-mail also to Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino. Members and observers of the Special Committee attending the session who wish to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Maria Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; room IN-603A or NL-1033D; tel. 1 (917) 367-4422; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL)
2. Executive meeting

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee

Working Group on Communications

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8 (General Assembly Building)

Economic and Social Council

Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

1. Opening of the meeting

   Opening statement by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Lazarous Kapambwe (Zambia)

   Statement by the President of the Trade and Development Board, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, H.E. Mr. Luis Manuel Piantini Munnigh (Dominican Republic)

2. Thematic debate of the whole on theme 1 (E/2011/74)[1]:

   "Financial support for development efforts of least developed countries: Development finance, including innovative mechanisms, aid for trade and debt relief"

   Presentation on *"The Least Developed Countries Report 2010: Towards a New International Development Architecture for LDCs"* by Mr. Charles Gore, Head, Policy Analysis and Research Branch, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD

   Presentation by Mr. Shishir Priyadarshi, Director, Trade and Development Division, World Trade Organization

   Interactive dialogue

3–6 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

1. Address by the Secretary-General of the United Nations

2. Thematic debate of the whole on theme 2 (E/2011/74)[1]:

   "Financial support for development efforts of middle-income countries: Development cooperation, trade, capital flows, policy space and reserve system"

   Presentation on *"MDG Gap Task Force Report 2010: The Global Partnership for Development at a Critical Juncture"* by Mr. Robert Vos, Director, Development Policy and Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

   Presentation on *"Lessons from the recent crisis for the reform of the international monetary and financial system and for development strategies"* by Mr. Detlef Kotte, Head, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

   Interactive dialogue

[For further information, as documentation relating to the meeting, please visit <www.un.org/esa/ffd/ecosoc/springmeetings/2011/>.]

[1] To be issued.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Twenty-seventh session

There will be closed meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 10 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

United Nations Dispute Tribunal
Hearings

The United Nations Dispute Tribunal will hold hearings (open) *today*, 10 March 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room TB-07024MR (Teachers' Building).

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Thursday, 10 March 2011

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Day of Friendship" (under agenda item 15 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (Culture of peace)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Paraguay)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 33 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (Prevention of armed conflict)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

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Thursday, 10 March 2011

Group of Friends of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (at the permanent representative level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

African Group (on Second Committee matters) (on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD))

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters) (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Briefing on "Graduation of least developed countries and smooth transition" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Maldives, in collaboration with the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS))

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

3.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

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Pre-conference event on "Promoting universal access to essential services in LDCs" (in preparation for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries) (organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS))

From 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. Information on the event can be accessed at <www.unohrlls.org/en/orphan/849/>. For further information, please contact Mr. Peter Kenilorea (e-mail kenilorea@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9460).]

DPI/NGO briefing on "The International Year of Volunteers +10: Inspiring millions to join in volunteer action" (in observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers)

From 10.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Garine Palandjian, DPI (e-mail section1d@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7709).]

Briefing on "The humanitarian situation in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the regional Flash Appeal for the Libyan crisis" (by the Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, the Permanent Observer of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the Director, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

At 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Rodriguez, OCHA (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2770).]

Meeting of donors to the Trust Fund for the permanent memorial to honour the victims of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade (organized by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica)

From 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[The meeting is closed. For further information, please contact Ms. Andrea L.M. Wilson, Permanent Mission of Jamaica (e-mail andrealm.wilson@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 935-7509, ext. 116).]

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 25th meeting, to consider the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the management capacity of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (A/65/705), under agenda item 51, on Thursday, 24 March 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Fifth Committee
First part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 11 March 2011, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, as follows:

Monday, 14 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB);

Wednesday, 16 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB);

Thursday, 17 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB); and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB);

Monday, 21 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB);

Thursday, 24 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB); and

Friday, 25 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Second session

The second session of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 8 April 2011, at United Nations Headquarters. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CONF.219/IPC/7.

Delegations wishing to participate in the work of the second session of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to forward the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Timur Alasaniya (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1531; room IN-608C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

All delegates are invited to consult relevant background information on the preparatory process at <www.un.org/wcm/content/site/ldc/home>. For more information, please contact Ms. Cinthya Marquez, OHRLLS (e-mail marquez1@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4509).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on Friday, 11 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB), on the proposed financial regulations and rules for the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UNW/2011/5). An advance copy of the document, as well as the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed financial regulations and rules for the Entity (UNW/2011/7), can be consulted at the following address: <www.unwomen.org/about-us/governance/executive-board/>.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-first session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-first session at Headquarters from Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2011.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 20 May 2011*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 of the Assembly. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Appeals Tribunal

The United Nations Appeals Tribunal will hold a public announcement of synopses of its judgments rendered during the spring 2011 session, on Friday, 11 March 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations, convened by the vice-presidency of the Economic and Social Council (Belgium), on the themes for the humanitarian affairs segment of 2011 will be held on Monday, 14 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Informal informal consultations, convened by the Facilitator (Bahamas), on the report of the ninth session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (E/2010/44), will be held on Tuesday, 15 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Commission on the Status of Women

Fifth-fifth session

The Commission on the Status of Women will hold its 17th meeting on Monday, 14 March 2011, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), in order to conclude its work for the fifty-fifth session.

Immediately following the closure of the fifty-fifth session, the Commission will convene the first meeting of its fifty-sixth session for the sole purpose of electing the Chair and four Vice-Chairs of the Bureau of the Commission for a term of office of two years (i.e. for its fifth-sixth and fifty-seventh sessions, in 2012 and 2013, respectively).

Commission on Population and Development
Briefing

The Chair of the Commission on Population and Development, H.E. Mr. Brian G. Bowler (Malawi), will hold an informal briefing on the programme of work of the forty-fourth session of the Commission, on Wednesday, 23 March 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). All interested members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultation

There will be an informal consultation of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, on the UNDP mid-term review on Friday, 18 March 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room B (NLB). Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 33 of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (Prevention of armed conflict)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey, on behalf of the Group of Friends of Mediation)

***Friday, 11 March 2011*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).**

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

***Wednesday, 16 March 2011*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).**

United Nations Development Programme (second meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2011*)

Wednesday, 30 March 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 31 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

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Panel discussion on "Transitional justice in conflict-affected settings" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, with the support of the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Friday, 11 March 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Sean Lees, Rule of Law Unit (e-mail lees1@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962).]

Panel discussion on "Building peace: Reconciliation through the power of education, the sciences, culture, and communication" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Friday, 11 March 2011, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Chris Ramos, UNESCO (e-mail c.ramos@unesco.org).]

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Tuesday, 15 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB);

Wednesday, 16 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Thursday, 17 March 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. Registration is required and available at the following address: <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail info@unitarny.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or Mr. François Richard, UNITAR (e-mail francois.richard@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "Promoting sustainable development through inclusive green growth" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Tuesday, 15 March 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Nowruz (21 March) (General Assembly resolution 64/253 (A/RES/64/253))

Panel discussion on "Nowruz and the Earth: Harmony between culture and nature" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Afghanistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Tajikistan)

Monday, 21 March 2011, from 4 to 6 p.m., at the Millennium Plaza Hotel (Diplomat Ballroom).

[For further information, please contact Mr. Amir Hossein Hosseini, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran (e-mail ah_hosseini@email.com; tel. 1 (212) 842-8223).]

Official commemorative ceremony of the International Day of Nowruz

Monday, 21 March 2011, at 6.30 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Amir Hossein Hosseini, Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran (e-mail ah_hosseini@email.com; tel. 1 (212) 842-8223).]

UNITAR workshop on effective public speaking and presentations skills

Thursday, 31 March 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB); and

Friday, 1 April 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. Registration is required and available at the following address: <www.unitar.org/event/workshop-effective-public-speaking-and-presentation-skills>. For queries related to the fellowship and registration, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail info@unitarny.org/falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196). For queries related to the programme, please contact Mr. François Richard, UNITAR (e-mail francois.richard@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

Special meeting on "Prevention of terrorism"
Palais de l'Europe, Strasbourg, France

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, supported by the Council of Europe, will hold a special meeting with international, regional and subregional organizations, on "Prevention of terrorism", from Tuesday, 19, to Thursday, 21 April 2011, at the headquarters of the Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France. Member States that are not members of the Security Council are invited to participate as observers. The provisional agenda can be consulted at <www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/specialmeetings/2011/index.html>.

For information concerning substantive issues, please contact Mr. David Scharia, Legal Officer, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) (e-mail scharia@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1092). Questions concerning administrative issues may be addressed to Ms. Liv Tigerstedt, Associate Political Affairs Officer, CTED (e-mail tigerstedt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1261).

Training for members of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for members of permanent missions, to be held in Room DC2-1142, as indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Security Council documentation

In French:
Today, 10 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

In English:
Thursday, 17 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet)

In French:
Tuesday, 15 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Introduction to United Nations documents

In English:
Wednesday, 16 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Official Document System (ODS)

In English:
Tuesday, 22 March 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The first round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in April 2011, in Conference Room D (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, 26 April*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic

Tuesday, 26 April*, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese

Wednesday, 27 April*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English

Wednesday, 27 April*, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French

Thursday, 28 April*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian

Thursday, 28 April*, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be

distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
Second session

4th meeting — The summary of the 4th meeting of the Preparatory Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2011/48).

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General Assembly

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

262nd meeting — The summary of the 262nd meeting of the Special Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2011/48).

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Mauritius
H.E. Mr. Milan Jaya Nyamrajsingh Meetarbhan

Asian States:
Iraq
H.E. Mr. Hamid Al Bayati

Eastern European States:
Latvia
H.E. Mr. Normans Penke

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Bahamas
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